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STATE RECOGNIZES SCHOOL SAFETY ALLIANCE BETWEEN CAPACCIO ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING, INC. AND WAYLAND HIGH SCHOOL

Mentoring program improves safety in science classroom

Environmental Affairs Secretary Ellen Roy Herzfelder and Massachusetts Office of Technical Assistance for Toxics Use Reduction Director Paul Richard recognized Capaccio Environmental Engineering, Inc. today for its participation in the Massachusetts Mentoring Program for Environmental Safety and Health. Capaccio has agreed to mentor Wayland High School in the area of environmental compliance.

Under this mentoring program, Capaccio will set up an environmental management program for the high school to assist in managing hazardous waste and waste water generated by the science and art departments. Capaccio will also assist the high school in understanding all of the environmental regulations that apply to the school.

Secretary Herzfelder said, "Capaccio Environmental Engineering is a terrific example of a private company volunteering their time and expertise to help our schools improve their environmental performance. This is truly beneficial to the Commonwealth. Capaccio is also to be commended for their enthusiastic support of OTA's mentoring program."

The Massachusetts Office of Technical Assistance for Toxics Use Reduction (OTA) developed this program to address chemical management within Massachusetts' schools. Approximately 350 schools face the challenge of chemical storage and disposal. The Massachusetts Mentoring Program for Environmental Safety and Health was created to be a cost-effective solution for improving chemical safety practices in schools.

Paul Richard added, "The mentors are training the educators to develop the expertise to manage hazardous materials more responsibly. I am confident that Capaccio's scientists and engineers will ensure that Wayland achieve all their chemical safety and waste management goals."

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Joe Madden, Facilities Manager for the Wayland School system stated, “We are delighted to have the expertise and guidance available to us that Capaccio offers. It is reasonable to expect that every school district would benefit from this mentoring program.”

The Mentoring Program continues to receive requests to be matched with business mentors. Anyone interested in learning more about the program or becoming a mentor, please contact Susan Lanza at OTA, 617 626-1068.
